

be, too, is starving; but with the evidence of Belgium as witness of the brutality to which German privates may be driven under orders of their officers, no one dares predict that even the mothers would be spared if the order to fire should be given.

On this unpredictable factor turns the fate of Germany and the hopes for early peace.

Whatever may be the ultimate outcome, mark May 1 down in red as the day on which the fate of Kaiser Wilhelm and the line of the Hohenzollerns will be in the balance.

SIGN ON CZAR'S PALACE TELLS WHAT LIBERTIES RUSSIANS MAY NOW EXPECT.

Petrograd, April 30.—From the czar's Winter Palace, until recently the seat of most autocracy of all modern governments, a sign today proclaimed rising tide of world democracy.

On eve of May day, Minister of War Gutchkoff issued an order striking last bonds from army of new Russia. It is with this new spirit of freedom that Russia will celebrate tomorrow. Keynote of the day is struck by sign stretching across the front of palace, fashioned by hand of workmen now knowing the meaning of liberty. It reads:

"The proletariat of all countries unite."

The orders issued by Minister Gutchkoff today were put forth at the suggestion of the private soldiers themselves. They provide:

Hereafter all soldiers are to be considered citizens of Russia. (Under autocracy's rule they were not even supposed to be units of the nation they were supposed to die for.)

Complete religious freedom.

Free speech guaranteed.

Attendance at church services not compulsory.

Mail from trenches shall not be censored.

All mail, including pamphlets, shall be delivered to soldiers at front.

The servile "sir" abolished in replies by private soldiers to officers. Hereafter privates shall say merely "yes" or "no," without the "sir," in answering officers. Also, soldiers hereafter need not salute their officers "unless the soldier wishes." Privates, however, must come to "attention" when commanded to do so.

Corporal punishment in army completely abolished.

It is in this spirit of complete freedom that "Free Russia" will celebrate May day tomorrow.

SATURDAY EVENING POST IS ORDERED OFF STANDS

Judge Dever in the superior court today upheld the right of the city of Chicago to order the newsstands confined to the sale of daily publications published in Chicago. The action was taken in the decision handed down in the case of the Curtis Publishing Co., owners of the Saturday Evening Post, against the city.

The city argued that if it allowed The Saturday Post on the newsstands it would be forced to allow other similar publications and that in time the newsstands would resemble well-stocked novelty shops.

The Curtis people charged that the order was issued by the police dept to throw off out-of-town publications at the instance of the Newspaper Publishers' ass'n, who feared the sale of outside papers would hurt the Chicago papers.

DO YOU KNOW THAT

Fresh air is the best tonic?

Spring gardening has lengthened many lives?

It's the spring fly which makes the summer pest?

Today is the best time to begin to build for health?

A mosquito-breeding pool may mean malaria later on?

A good water supply in the spring may save an undertaker's bill in the fall?

—U. S. Public Health Service.